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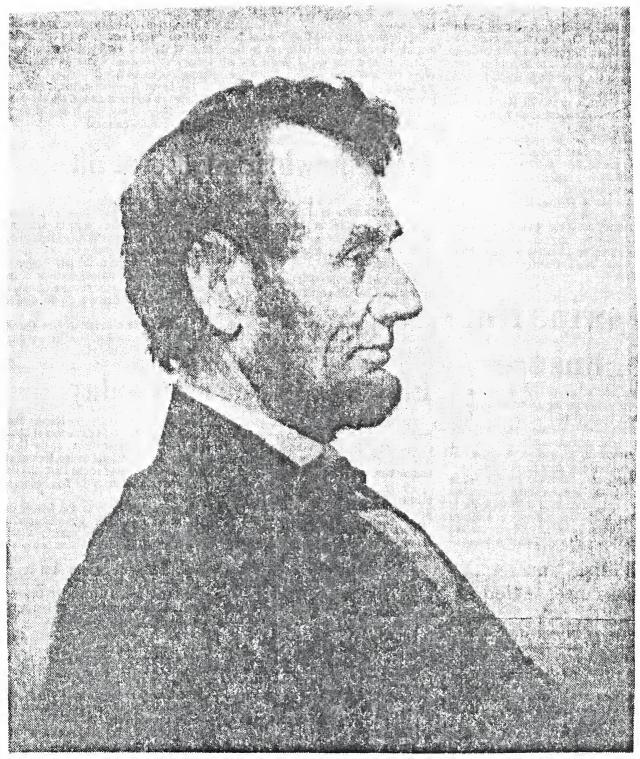
Artists of Abraham Lincoln portraits

William Willard

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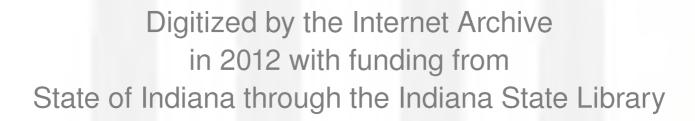




Portrait Gallery gets Lincoln

The National Portrait Gallery in Washington has acquired this painting of Abraham Lincoln and it will go on display today, the birthday of the 16th President. The painting is by William Willard and it was done in

1864. It is a gift of Mr. and Mrs. David A. Morse. The National Portrait Gallery, a bureau of the Smithsonian Institution is open daily 10 A.M. until 5.30 P.M. It is at 8th and F streets, N.W.



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ABRAHAM LINCOLN

From a portrait in the possession of the Hon. Oscar S. Straus, Secretary of Commerce and Labor

Mrs. Annie E. Bryden writes of this portrait: "The accompanying portrait of Abraham Lincoln was done by my father;
William Willard, at Washington, in 1824, from actual sittings from life. I have often heard my father speak of incidents
which occurred while Lincoln was posing for him, and he especially spoke of this portrait, which he kept for himself, as one
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Another copy of the same painting by Willard is said to be in the Howard University at Washington A very striking portrait, finely executed.

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The portrait of Lincoln, of which a reproduction is given on the cover, was executed by William Willard at Washington about 1864, from life sketches made by him.

Being unsigned, a written statement to the above effect has been obtained from its former owner, the artist's daughter, which will accompany the purchase.

Willard's national reputation in the field of portrait painting, gained him such distinguished sitters as Rufus Choate, Charles Sumner, Daniel Webster, U. S. Grant, Wendell Phillips, J. G. Blaine, T. W. Parsons, and Geo. Frisbie Hoar. One of the most famous portraits of Lincoln extant, is that painted by Willard in the Howard University at Washington, D. C.

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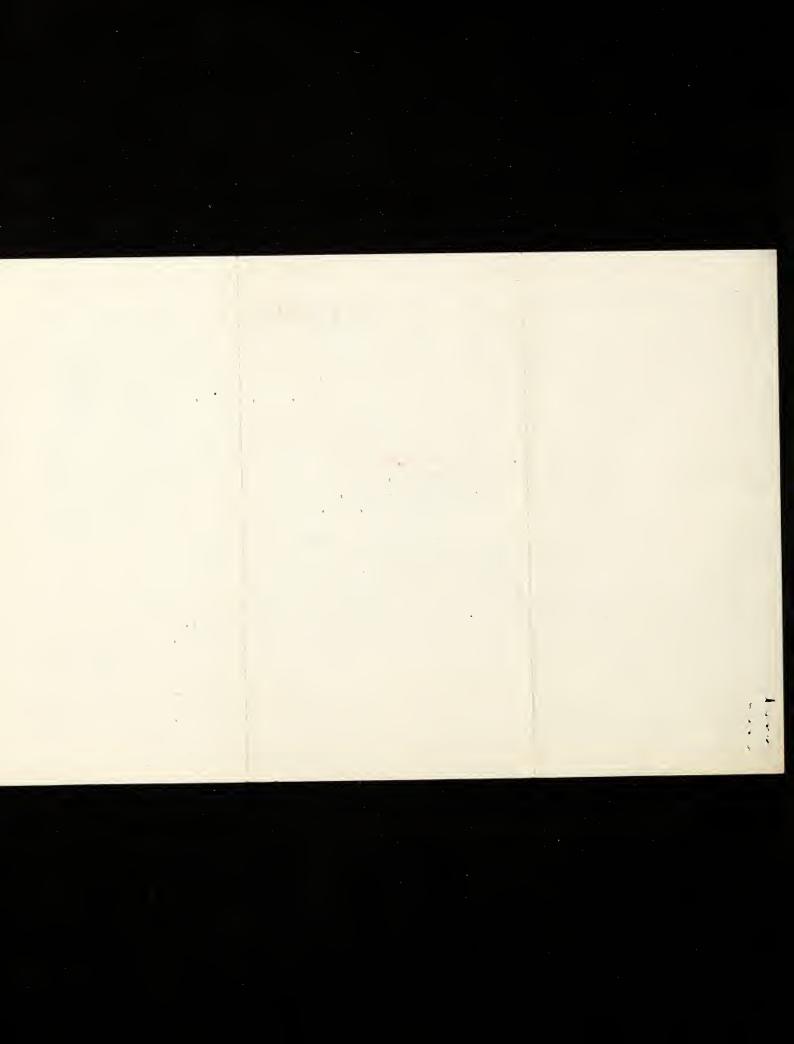
Dear Sir:

Your letter, with respect to portrait of Lincoln by William Willard, just to hand. I shall look up the matter immediately.

I think that the picture is hanging in the President's Office, and shall turn your letter over to him that he may know of your request. Very truly yours,

CWC/DRW

Secretary.



PRESIDENT'S OFFICE HOWARD UNIVERSITY WASHINGTON, D. C.

November 24, 1916.

Mr. W. P. Truesdell, 137 West 70th Street, New York City.

My dear Sir:

We have here a painting of Lincoln upon the back of which occurs the statement "painted by William Willard, 1869". There is no indication upon the frame that it was painted from life. You probably have some means of information other than that which we possess here. I do not know how it came into the possession of the University. Perhaps I can find out at a leter time but I send you this note at once so that you may be aware of the facts.

In what way would you probably use for a reproduction of it in color?

Yours very sincerely,

President.

S.M. Newman.

February 8, 1977

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Mr. Frank O. Gladding, D.O. 225 Queen Street Honolulu, Hawaii 96813

Dear Mr. Gladding:

This is in response to your recent inquiry concerning portraits of Abraham Lincoln.

In addition to the John Henry Brown miniature, we own the following portraits of Lincoln:

- 1. engraving by Frederick Halpin after Francis Carpenter. NPG.72.96, 1866.
- 2. engraving by Frederick Halpin after Francis Carpenter. S/NPG.73.1, 1866.
- 3. oil on canvas by G.P.A. Healy. NPG.65.50, 1887.
- 4. plaster bust by Thomas Dow Jones. NPG.74.53, 1861.
 - 5. plaster life mask by Clark Mills. NPG.71.26, cast after 1865 original.
 - 6. pencil on paper (showing Mrs. Lincoln) by Pierre Moranol, NPG.75.28, not dated.
 - 7. etching by Jacques Reich. S/NPG.67.75, 1901.
 - 8. etching by Jacques Reich. S/NPG.67.76, 1905.
 - *9. etching by Jacques Reich. S/NPG.67.77, 1911.



- 10. mixed media engraving by Alexander Ritchie after Francis Carpenter. NPG.76.47, 1866.
- 11. oil on canvas by an unidentified artist. S/NPG.71.7, c. 1865.
- 12. brown-tone photograph of a portrait by Douglas Volk. S/NPG.66.58, 1921.
- 13. plaster copy of Leonard Volk's bronze life mask. NPG.71.24, 1917.
- 14. plaster copy of Leonard Volk's hands of Lincoln. S/NPG.71.6, 1860.
- 15. oil on canvas by Willard. NPG.76.36, 1864.

Eight by ten black and white photographs of all these portraits save those marked with an asterisk are currently available from this office for \$3.50 each. Please make your check out to the Smithsonian Institution; consult the enclosed price list for further details.

Thank you for your interest in the National Portrait Gallery.

Thomas Rees

Curator's Office

Sincerely yours,



